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The amateur service has a long history of providing public service and technical advancement of the hobby. The FCC has repeatedly acknowledged the value of this and its mutually beneficial relationship with the amateur radio service.

The residual interference caused by broadband over power lines (BPL) is well documented and will cause irreparable damage to the amateur and other vital communication services. The utility providers claims to adjust their networks to mitigate interference issues is not realistic. The track of record of utility providers in resolving line noise interference issues is mediocre at best.

There are several broadband alternatives (DSL, cable, satellite, etc.) which are currently available. BPL is not a revolutionary technology and does not present a significant high speed data alternative to a large percentage of the population.

The FCC is tasked with frequency and communication service management. It is unconscionable that the FCC would consider allowing interference to the degree of that generated by BPL. I strongly urge the FCC to consider the value of the amateur service and NOT permit BPL as currently proposed by the money hungry utilities and politicians.

Thank you in advance for considering my comments.

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